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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE

APPLICANT:

Whitman, Robert E.

RESPONSE OF

APPLICANT TO ACTION

SERIAL NO.:

10/618,691

OF EXAMINER

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EXAMINER:

Sing P. Chan

TO: THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS

Now comes the Applicant and for his response to the action of the examiner dated February 2, 2006 submits the following response and amendment. A three month extension is requested and a fee for such extension is enclosed in the amount of \$ 510.00 and \$250.00 (2 checks) for appeal fee.

I. AMENDMENTS

- A. To the drawings: (none-no drawings)
- B. Amendments to the Specifications (none requested)
- C. Amendments to the Claims: (see attached page 2 for Amendment to Claim Number 1)

II. STATUS OF CLAIMS

1. Claim 1 has been rejected (twice) at this point. Claim 1 is the only claim pending in the case due to a restriction requirement. Claim 1 is under a final rejection.